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## Tax Filing Season in Wisconsin is Underway

Filing electronically is faster and more secure

Another tax filing season is officially underway in Wisconsin. The Wisconsin Department of Revenue began accepting tax returns on January 29, and filers have until April 17 to submit their returns. "Filing activity is brisk, and more than 105,000 refunds have already been issued," said Department of Revenue Secretary Richard Chandler.

Secretary Chandler noted, "The department encourages Wisconsinites to file their tax returns electronically; it's more secure and almost always results in a faster refund." People may use the free, fast and accurate <u>Wisconsin E-file</u> online tool to file their state income taxes, or they may choose to use <u>third-party software from an approved vendor</u>. Wisconsin E-file does the required math to prevent errors and allows direct deposit or withdrawal from a bank account.

"Of the more than three million individual income tax returns DOR received last year, 85 percent were filed electronically." Secretary Chandler noted.

A listing of free tax help sites across Wisconsin and the ability to <u>check the status of your refund</u> are available on DOR's <u>website</u> and <u>mobile app</u>. The mobile app is a free download from the Apple or Android app stores. Both link to DOR's <u>video center</u> for information on e-filing, free tax help and tax credits.

Taxpayers may <u>submit questions online</u> or call DOR's individual customer service line at 608.266.2486.

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